

BEFORE
THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF
SOUTH CAROLINA
DOCKET NO. 2004-242-T - ORDER NO. 2005-44
FEBRUARY 2, 2005

IN RE: Application of Family, Inc. d/b/a C & C)	ORDER APPROVING
Moving Service, 803 Main Street, Myrtle)	INCREASE IN RATES
Beach, SC 29577 (District 1) for an Increase)	
in Rates.)	

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (“Commission”) on the request of Family, Inc. d/b/a C & C Moving Service (“C & C Moving” or the “Company”) for a rate increase in certain of its rates and charges.

C & C Moving was granted a Class E Certificate of Public Convenience and Necessity (“Certificate of PC&N”) by Order No. 93-84, Docket No. 91-628-T, to transport household goods between points and places in Horry and Georgetown Counties, South Carolina and between points and places in these counties and points and places in South Carolina. Original certification (Order No. 93-84) was granted to Family, Incorporated d/b/a C & C Used Furniture and Moving Service. Thereafter, by Order No. 97-929, dated October 30, 1997, a name change was approved to the Company’s present name of Family, Inc. d/b/a C & C Moving Service.

Presently, C & C Moving has a tariff on file with and approved by this Commission. By its request received August 16, 2004, C & C Moving seeks approval of changes to the Company’s tariff by modifications to its hourly rates, and C & C Moving submits with its request a proposed Schedule of Charges. The current rate structure for C

& C Moving is as follows: Delivery within 60 mile radius - \$80.00 per hour, Layover charge per night (each 300 miles) - \$90.00, Labor charges - \$13.10 per man hour, Overtime labor charges - \$19.65 per man hour, and Waiting time - \$30.00 per truck, per hour.

The Company proposes the following modifications to the stated rates: Delivery within 60 mile radius - \$90.00 per hour, Layover charge per night (each 300 miles) - \$120.00, Labor charges - \$20.00 per man hour, Overtime labor charges - \$35.00 per man hour, and Waiting time - \$50.00 per truck, per hour.

C & C Moving states in its request that the Company's requested increase in rates is necessitated by increases in the economy, i.e. fuel costs, insurances, labor and general overhead expenses.

By letter dated August 18, 2004, the Program Assistant of the Commission's Transportation Department instructed C & C Moving to publish a prepared Notice of Filing in newspapers of general circulation in the areas of the state affected by the proposed rate increases. The purpose of the Notice of Filing was to advise interested persons of the requested rate increases and of the manner and time to intervene in the proceedings before the Commission. The Company filed affidavits of publication indicating that it had duly published the Notice of Filing. No Petitions to Intervene or Protests were received concerning the notice of the rate increase. However, the Office of Regulatory Staff ("ORS") for the State of South Carolina is a party to the present proceeding, as is statutorily required. The Program Manager of Transportation for ORS

filed a letter with the Commission on January 26, 2005, advising that ORS does not oppose the Commission's approval of C & C Moving's increase request.

As no Protests or Petitions to Intervene were received concerning C & C Moving's requested rate increase and ORS's consent to C & C Moving's request, the matter of the rate increase was brought before the Commission at the Commission's regular meeting on February 1, 2005.

The Staff of the Commission's Transportation Department conducted a review on C & C Moving's proposed increase in rates and submitted the results on December 20, 2004. According to the review results, if the proposed rates are approved, C & C Moving will realize \$12,400 in additional income, and the Company's operating ratio will change from 98.57% to 90.45%. According to Staff, C & C Moving's proposed increase for labor is .25% higher than the South Carolina Tariff Bureau ("SCTB"), 13.29% lower for overtime labor than the SCTB, and 15.10% lower than the SCTB for waiting time. For the other proposed rate increases (60 mile radius rate and layover charge), Staff states that no comparisons could be done for these charges since C & C Moving's tariff is based on a "mile radius" unlike the SCTB which is based on weight and miles. Staff adds in its review that C & C Moving's last rate increase was granted by this Commission on May 23, 2001, in Docket No. 2001-214-T.

Upon examination of the proposed rates and the Staff's review, the Commission finds the requested increases just and reasonable. The proposed increases produce increased revenues which result in a slight change in C & C Moving's operating ratio.

Further, the Commission notes that C & C Moving's rates have not increased since May, 2001. Therefore, the Commission approves the proposed rates as filed.

IT IS THEREFORE ORDERED THAT:

1. The proposed rates as filed by Family, Inc. d/b/a C & C Moving Service are hereby approved.
2. This Order shall remain in full force and effect until further Order of the Commission.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

/s/
Randy Mitchell, Chairman

ATTEST:

/s/
G. O'Neal Hamilton, Vice Chairman

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